

# **CLINTON COUNTY BOARD MEETING**

## **May 20, 2013 – 7:00pm**

Ray Kloeckner, Chairman

Robert Fix, Vice Chairman

### **1. OPENING PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

An Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

### **2. CALL TO ORDER**

Sheriff, Mike Kreke, called the meeting of the Clinton County District Board to order at 7:00pm on May 20, 2013.

### **3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

Present: Albers, Cain, Fix, Heiligenstein, Holtgrave, Kloeckner, Michael, Nordike, Charles Rakers, James Rakers, Richter, Simpson, Sullivan, Taylor and Wessel.

### **4. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND GUESTS**

### **5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion – Jim Rakers made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2013 meeting. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

### **6. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

No Report.

### **7. PUBLIC MAY APPROACH THE BOARD**

No Report.

### **8. REPORTS FROM ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

No Report.

### **9. STANDING COMMITTEES**

#### **a. Zoning/Subdivision Committee**

#### **1. Zoning Report**

##### **i. Motion – Final Plat for Bailey Plaza**

Richter made a motion to approve the final plat for Bailey Plaza.  
Nordike seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

##### **ii. Motion – Map Amendment for A.G. Becker**

Kloeckner said he received a phone call from Mr. Becker requesting the board not to vote on his map amendment at this meeting since he missed the hearing with the zoning board committee.

Motion - Nordike made a motion to vote on Becker map amendment at this meeting. Charlie Rakers seconded the motion. Motion Carried. .  
Kloeckner stated Mr. Becker is wanting to put storage units on 4 acres

between Aviston and Trenton. The Zoning Board voted 5-0 vote against the amendment. It was a map amendment to rezone to commercial. Motion - Nordike made a motion to stay with the Zoning Board's recommendation not to approve the map amendment. Richter seconded the motion to deny the map amendment. Albers wanted to clarify that a "yes" vote would mean denying the map amendment and sticking with the Zoning Board's recommendation. State's Attorney, Hudspeth, confirmed yes. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). The map amendment was denied 14-0.

b. Economic Development  
No Report.

c. Tourism Committee  
The next meeting is June 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm in the County Board room. Sullivan invited anyone to the meeting that pays hotel/motel tax in Clinton County to voice their opinion on how to distribute the money that is collected. Sullivan said it is actually their money that we are disbursing and giving back to Clinton County.

d. Environmental Concerns/Unincorporated/Solid Waste  
No Report.

e. Facilities Committee  
No Report.

f. Insurance/ICIT  
The monthly meeting was held on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Insurance broker Bill Schmalz is looking into a way to save the county about \$20,000 by having health department provide lab work for county insurance plan. This may come to vote before county board soon. They are more than qualified to do the work. The employee benefit county line item budget report for the first five months of fiscal year 2013 without reimbursements budget line item is \$20,000 or 1.86 over budget. With reimbursements the budget is \$76,000 or 6.8 percent under budget.

g. Assessment Committee  
The committee met on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Kevin R Wells Vice President of First Midstate Bank and tax attorney Kyle W Harding with Chapmann and Cutler were guests for the evening and gave a presentation on PTELL. There were many questions for and against PTELL. The next assessment will be June 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the County Board room. There will not be any guests to speak on PTELL at this meeting, however anyone will be able to voice their opinion. The Assessment Committee will have a recommendation for the PTELL question to be put on the ballot in 2014. This will be voted upon by the entire Board at the June meeting.

Chairman Kloeckner invited everyone to at least have a representative at the meeting on June 4<sup>th</sup> including businesses, churches, fire departments, schools, everyone is welcome to give their opinion. Holtgrave said today there was a meeting with UCCI in Springfield. Sandy Schlosser from Dewitt County spoke at the meeting and brought up some interesting points. Holtgrave said some points discussed were there are more than 50 counties in Illinois that do not have PTELL and not one county since 2003 has brought PTELL to be voted on. The last county that did vote on PTELL, Moultrie County, actually voted it down. Holtgrave said he asked the counties that had PTELL currently, if they had the chance to do it all over again would they re-vote PTELL in? He said most of their answers were no. One member from Cass County said he believed if PTELL would pass, the taxing bodies would have to raise taxes 5 percent. Holtgrave said he has not heard one plus from the counties, some counties had to lay off because their hands were tied and there was no money. Jim Rakers said he talked to a county that said it was best thing they did. Holtgrave said it is his opinion that the county board members should do whatever is the right thing for our county. Taylor asked Jim Rakers about the results of hearings. Jim Rakers said overall everyone seems to be satisfied with the Board of Review. There were some that were changed and some stayed the same. There have been 487 hearings to date out of 589. Hearings should be completed by May 20<sup>th</sup>. June 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for assessors to turn in their 2013 assessment work. Mandy Hellige has retired and Colleen Harper has stepped down. Brenda Pollman has been hired to take her place. There is some good news for tax year 2013. The senior homestead will change from 4000 to 5000.

h. County Farm Committee  
No Report.

i. Education Committee

Albers said Keri Garrett discussed the states mandate that each educational service region must contain 61,000 inhabitants. The best case scenario was for us to take in Jefferson County. Clinton County will remain the largest county therefore the office will stay in Carlyle.

1. Motion – Resolution 2013-05-13 For The Illinois Association Of Regional Superintendents Approved Boundary Realignment Map

Cain made a motion to approve the resolution. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.

j. Veterans Committee  
No Report.

k. Finance/Health/Revolving Loan Committee

The Finance Committee held their meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Leah Stanley with the Western Senior Citizens approached the committee requesting

an advancement on funding for the “Meals on Wheels” program. The finance committee approved the advancement of approximately 50%. The amount currently levied is about \$46,000. The finance committee will be looking into next year increasing the levy in revenue. Currently their levy is .008. We can go up to .025. In past years the county has contributed \$16,000 to the Tourism Bureau Illinois South out of the hotel/motel tax. Fix said the committee talked about contributing the same amount this year. Fix said the committee also talked about changing phone/internet provider from AT&T to Charter. This would have an approximate savings of \$3000 a month, or \$144,000 annually. AT&T and Charter both attended the meetings. This contract will currently only be for the courthouse and the Sheriff’s office. June 12<sup>th</sup> is the next Finance meeting.

1. Treasurer’s monthly report  
Treasurer, Denise Trame, reported receiving oil checks in the amount of \$9,673.65.
  - i. Motion - Monthly Budget and Financial Report  
Wessel made a motion to approve the monthly budget and financial report. Fix seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
2. Motion - Health Department Monthly Report  
Fix made a motion to approve the monthly health department report. Michael seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
3. Motion – Funding for Western Senior Citizen Services  
Fix made a motion for a roll call vote. Sullivan seconded the motion. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.
4. Motion – Clinton County Contribution to Tourism Bureau Illinois South  
Fix made a motion for a roll call to contribute \$16,000. Jim seconded the motion. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.
5. Motion – Change from AT&T Phone Service Provider to Charter  
Fix made a motion for a roll call vote. Charlie Rakers seconded the motion. Albers (Abstain); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.

Motion – Change from AT&T Internet Service Provider to Charter

Fix made a motion for a roll call vote. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Albers (Abstain); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.

6. Motion – Glass & Schuffet, Fred Becker, Review of Clinton County Audit

Fred Becker spoke on the Clinton County audit. Each county board member received a copy of the audit. He mentioned the audit running later this year and attributed it to the grants we received. Becker said the county received over \$500,000 in grants. These grants were received for several things like equipment, voting, circuit clerk, health department and WIC. Once you have over \$500,000 you have to have a federal audit. The WIC department gives out vouchers for baby food and diapers. The federal government considers that to be federal money. Clinton County used about \$300,000 in WIC vouchers. The audit checks on how they check their guidelines. What everyone always asks is are we better than last year? If you look at the general fund it went up by about \$283,000. The largest items were the state catching up on a lot of its reimbursements. For a long period of time, the county was not receiving some of its reimbursements like the states attorney and public defender reimbursements. The fee increases that were passed for county services also helped. The study that the county had done allowed us to raise fees. The general fund took in about \$6.8 million dollars. 23 percent of that was from property taxes. 52 percent came from the State of Illinois from sales tax, state income tax, reimbursements of salaries and any other state revenue. 15 percent came from fees from the county offices. 10 percent represented the rest. For the most part, expenditures are staying the same. This year the expenditures are a little higher, partly due to 27 payrolls, instead of 26. It was offset by some job positions not being filled through attrition. The end result was the general fund went up \$283,000. Salaries, IMRF, and health insurance totals up to about \$8 million dollars, which makes up about 65 percent of the budget. One of the largest expenditures is public safety, which is the Sheriff's department, Civil Defense, and Animal Control. This is followed by the general fund, which is health insurance and then highways and streets and others. 25 percent of the total expenses pay for general government, 30 percent pay for public safety, 15 percent highway and streets, 14 percent judicial and court matters, 8 percent for public health. Overall Becker thinks the offices are doing a good job. He believes possibly changing the payroll system may be a good idea. All reports that need to be filed will be taken care of this week. Chairman Kloeckner said he recalled a time when we were \$600,000 or more in the red. Fix made a motion for a roll call vote to approve the audit. Charlie Rakers seconded the motion. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain);

Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.

- l. General Services/Judiciary Committee  
No Report.
- m. Law Enforcement/EMA/Welfare/Safety/Liquor  
No Report.
- n. Road and Bridge Committee
  - 1. Dan Behrens gave his monthly County Engineer report. Bids were taken by the committee for trading in a 1999 John Deere 6310 tractor toward the purchase of a new mowing tractor. The bid from Jansen Farm Equipment was for a total amount of \$49,750.00 included the trade –in and new Massey Ferguson mowing tractor.
    - i. Motion – Resolution 2013-05-14 To Award Low Bid For A New Mowing Tractor  
Holtgrave made a motion for a roll call vote. Jim Rakers seconded the motion. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried

#### **10. SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

- a. 708 Mental Health Board/Area Agency on Aging  
No Report.
- b. County Health  
Cain reported as of May 31<sup>st</sup> Mike McMillan will be retired. Janice Albers will be taking over his position.
- c. GIS Committee  
The committee met on May 6<sup>th</sup> and reviewed bills which were all in order. The next meeting is June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30pm.
- d. 911 Committee  
Fix reported they are still waiting to see what will happen on the wireless surcharge bill. The next meeting will be June 12 at 7pm.
- e. UCCI  
No Report.
- f. Personnel/Labor Committee
  - i. Motion – Heiligenstein made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the status of collective bargaining matters between county and its employees and representatives. He said after the executive session the meeting would continue and the board would vote on the employee contracts. Nordike seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

The executive session closed and the county board resumed with their normal meeting. Heiligenstein presented all contracts between the county and its employees.

- ii. Motion – Approval of Collective Bargaining Agreements between:
  - a. The County of Clinton- Clinton County Highway Department and The Laborers International Union of North America, The Southern & Central Illinois Laborers’ District Council & Laborers Local 773. Wessel made a motion for a roll call vote. Simpson seconded the motion. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.
  - b. The County of Clinton – Sheriff Department And Teamsters, Automotive, Petroleum and Allied Trades Local Union No. 50 Heiligenstein made a motion for a roll call vote. Nordike seconded the motion. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.
  - c. The County of Clinton – A Body Politic And Teamsters, Automotive, Petroleum and Allied Trader Local Union No. 50 Heiligenstein made a motion for a roll call vote. Albers seconded the motion. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried
  - d. The County of Clinton – Health Department And Teamsters, Automotive, Petroleum and Allied Trader Local Union No. 50 Heiligenstein made a motion for a roll call vote. Richter seconded the motion. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Abstain); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.
  - e. The County of Clinton – Circuit Clerk And Teamsters, Automotive, Petroleum and Allied Trader Local Union No. 50 Heiligenstein made a motion for a roll call vote. Taylor seconded the motion. Albers (Yes); Cain (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Charles Rakers (Yes); James Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried

#### **11. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Taylor made a motion to approve accounts payable. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

#### **12. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

No Report.

#### **13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No Report.



#### **14. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

No Report.

#### **15. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Appointment – Menard (Skip) Etter – Clinton County East Public Water Dist
- b. Appointment – David Vandeloo – Carlyle Southwest Water District
- c. Appointment – Ben Varel – Carlyle Southwest Water District
- d. Appointment – Andrew Huelsmann – Breese Fire District
- e. Appointment – Curt Stieker – St. Rose Lighting District
- f. Appointment – Adadell Sheathelm – Carlyle Cemetery
- g. Appointment – Bonnie Kohrmann – Carlyle Cemetery
- h. Appointment – Joyce Beckemeyer – Wheatfield Fire Protection District
- i. Appointment – Norma Rueter – Shattuc Lighting District
- j. Appointment – Carolyn Sue Jones – Posey Cemetery Association
- k. Appointment – Sandra Cain – Posey Cemetery Association
- l. Appointment – Naomi Wernsman – Posey Cemetery Association
- m. Appointment – Chad Taylor – Posey Cemetery Association
- n. Appointment – Janet Heimann – Clinton County Board of Review
- o. Appointment – Wayne Kiefer – Clinton County Board of Review

Motion - Taylor made a motion to approve all appointments. Sullivan seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

#### **16. ADJOURNMENT TILL MONDAY JUNE 17, 2013**

Holtgrave made a motion to adjourn until Monday June 17, 2013. Jim Rakers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**ATTEST:**



County Clerk & Recorder